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EO 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: PAPANDREOU VISITS LIBYA

1. ANDREAS PAPANDREOU, WHO HAS FREQUENTLY PAID TRIBUTE TO "ARAB SOCIALISM" AS SOMETHING OF A MODEL FOR HIS PASOK PARTY, MADE A PERSONAL PILGRIMAGE TO LIBYA FEB 22-25. THE TRIP ON THE SURFACE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN LESS THAN A PERSONAL TRIUMPH FOR PAPANDREOU, WHO DID NOT GET TO SEE QADHAFI THOUGH HE DID SEE PRIME MINISTER JALLUD. ON HIS RETURN TO ATHENS, PAPANDREOU GAVE AN EXTENSIVE INTERVIEW TO THE LEFTIST NEWSPAPER TA NEA, WHICH CONTAINS SEVERAL INTERESTING TIDBITS:

-- PAPANDREOU, CLAIMING THAT PASOK IS "THE FIRST EUROPEAN SOCIALIST PARTY TO ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL TIES WITH THE LIBYAN ARAB SOCIALIST UNION," STATED THAT HIS PARTY WILL SHORTLY ASSIGN A PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN TIOPOLI. THE PASOK REPRESENTATIVE,  
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IT APPEARS FROM PAPANDREOU'S COMMENTS, IS GOING TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE "FEDERATION OF SOCIALIST PARTIES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN."

-- PAPANDREOU PLANS TO ATTEND THE JUNE MEETING IN MALTA OF THE "FEDERATION OF SOCIALIST PARTIES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN" WHERE, HE STATED, HE WILL MEET WITH

QADHAFI. IN THE COURSE OF THE TA NEA INTERVIEW  
PAPANDREOU MADE MUCH OF THE FEDERATION, WHICH HAD  
ITS FIRST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN BARCELONA LAST  
YEAR AND WHICH, HE SAID, INCLUDES IN ITS MEMBERSHIP  
"THE SOCIALIST UNION OF LIBYA, PASOK, THE NATIONAL  
DEMOCRATIC UNION OF CYPRUS (EDEK), THE PALESTINIANS,  
AND THE FEDERATION OF SPANISH SOCIALIST PARTIES."  
APPARENTLY IN DEFERENCE TO SENSITIVITIES ELSEWHERE,  
PAPANDREOU WAS AT PAINS TO STATE THAT THE ATTEMPT TO  
ACHIEVE GREATER COLLABORATION AMONG "MEDITERRANEAN  
SOCIALIST PARTIES" SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED "A  
HOSTILE ACT" DIRECTED AGAINST FRANCOIS MITTERAND'S  
SIMILAR EFFORT AMONG THE PARTIES OF SOUTHERN EUROPE.  
-- THE ATTITUDE OF THE INTERVIEWER CONFIRMED AGAIN THAT  
IN SOME SECTORS OF THE GREEK LEFT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE  
SKEPTICISM ABOUT LIBYA AND QADHAFI. THUS, PAPANDREOU  
WAS ASKED WHY LIBYA SUPPORTS AMIN AND HE WAS QUERIED  
ABOUT LIBYA'S PAST, CLOSE, TIES TO THE GREEK JUNTA.  
PAPANDREOU FIELDDED BOTH QUESTIONS LAMELY.

2. COMMENT: THE EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
PERMANENT PASOK REPRESENTATIVE IN LIBYA COULD  
FACILITATE PASOK-LIBYAN COOPERATION, INCLUDING  
LIBYAN FUNDING FOR THE GREEK ORGANIZATION (MANY HERE  
SUSPECT LIBYA IS ALREADY THE MAIN SOURCE OF PASOK  
FINANCES). HOWEVER, ANY LIBYAN RELATIONSHIP WITH  
PASOK PROBABLY WILL BE CONSTRAINED BY THE EXISTING  
TIES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF GREECE AND LIBYA,  
INCLUDING TRADE, ECONOMIC COOPERATION, TECHNICAL  
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ASSISTANCE, AND THE PRESENCE OF A NUMBER OF LIBYAN  
TRAINEES IN GREEK DEFENSE SCHOOLS. MOREOVER,  
THE GOG HAS ANNOUNCED THAT PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS PLANS  
TO VISIT LIBYA SOME TIME THIS YEAR.  
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